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Department of the Army Force Structure Changes to Impact Texas National Guard

CAMP MABRY, Texas (March 18, 2014) – The National Guard Bureau (NGB) has notified Texas Military Forces of a reduction in the force structure of the Texas Army National Guard impacting the 72nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team (IBCT) based in Houston, Texas.

The force reductions call for the deactivation of the 72nd IBCT's Headquarters after serving our state and nation since its organization in 1917. Affectionately known as "The Ready Team," the 72nd IBCT most recently served in Iraq, Kosovo, and numerous emergency relief operations including Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Ike. Following the deactivation, some of the 72nd IBCT's battalions will report to National Guard units assigned to other states.

"As the Texas Military Forces continue to work through this process, every member of the Texas National Guard will continue to do the outstanding work that has become the hallmark of our organization," said Maj. Gen. John F. Nichols, Texas Adjutant General. "Our citizen-soldiers remain committed to supporting the state of Texas any time they are called into service by Gov. Perry."

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The Texas Military Forces are commanded by the Adjutant General of Texas, the state's senior military official appointed by the governor, and is comprised of the Texas Military Department (formerly the Adjutant General's Department), the Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG), the Texas Air National Guard (TXANG), the Texas State Guard (TXSG) and the Domestic Operations Command (DOMOPS).

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